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NODIS CHEROKEE

FOR THE SECRETARY AND THE PRESIDENT

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, IS, US

SUBJECT: ISRAELI SETTLEMENT POLICY

1. I HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM HOUR-LONG, HIGHLY EMOTIONAL MEETING WITH BEGIN AND DAYAN ON THE SUBJECT OF ISRAELI SETTLEMENT POLICY. WILL REPORT FULL CONVERSATION IN DETAIL IN SUBSEQUENT MESSAGE, BUT HIGHLIGHTS AND SOME FLAVOR FOLLOWS: BEGIN SPECIFICALLY ASKED THAT HIS MESSAGE BE BROUGHT TO PRESIDENTS ATTENTION.

2 BEGIN WAS I BELIEVE GENUINELY SHOCKED, AFFRONTED, AND IN HIS
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WORDS "DEEPLY HURT" BY SECRETARY'S PUBLIC REACTION AND THAT OF THE DEPARTMENT'S SPOKESMAN. HE STRESSED THAT HE HAD VIOLATED NO COMMITMENTS TO US, AND HE APPARENTLY THOUGHT HE HAD MADE CLEAR TO PRESIDENT CARTER BY THE DEVICE OF POSING RHETORICAL QUESTIONS THAT HE COULD NOT AGREE TO HALTING THE SETTLEMENTS PROCESS. HE WAS PARTICULARLY UPSET BY THE DEPARTMENT'S QUICK PUBLIC REACTION WITHOUT ANY PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH HIM ABOUT THE

FACTS AND LIMITED SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SHARON COMMITTEE'S DECISION
TO GIVE LEGAL RECOGNITION TO THREE EXISTING SETTLEMENTSM
(HE THOUGHT THERE WAS NOW AN UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN US ABOUT
AVOIDING SUCH UNEXPECTED "PUBLIC REBUKES").

3. THE EVENTUAL BOTTOM LINE WAS AS FOLLOWS: THERE WILL BE NO
RPT NO FURTHER DECISIONS ON SETTLEMENTS BEFORE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL
IN JERUSALEM. WHEN HE IS HERE, BEGIN WILL EXPLAIN PRECISELY
WHAT NEW SETTLEMENT DECSIONS ARE LIKELY IN SUBSEQUENT WEEKS--AND
WHY HE MUST TAKE THEM. THEY WILL BE ALONG THE LINES OF THE
"DAYAN PLAN", WHICH WAS OUTLINED TO ME FOR SECRETARY'S REACTION
LAST SUNDAY NIGHT (TEL AVIV 5442), BEGAN SAID DAYAN HAD SPOKEN
TO ME ORIGINALLY ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE, BUT THAT HE (BEGIN) NOW
HAS ENDORSED DAYAN'S PROPOSED APPROACH.

4. AS YOU WILL SEE MORE CLEARLY FROM THE FULLER REPORT ON THIS
MEETING, WE HAVE SLIPPED ALL TOO QUICKLY BACK INTO SOME DELICATE
QUESTIONS OF TRUST AND BRUISED SENSITIVITIES. BUT AT LEAST THERE
WILL BE ANOTHER BRIEF MORATORIUM ON SETTLEMENT DECISIONS.
I URGE THAT WE AVOID ALL FURTHER PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT
FOR THE TIME BEING AND KEEP THE ARGUMENT WITHIN
PRIVATE CHANNELS.
LEWIS

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